

AN ORDINANCE BY

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ALLOW THE MUNICIPAL COURT TO ORDER THAT THERE SHALL BE NO TRESPASSING ON VACANT PROPERTY WHERE MULTIPLE DRUG ARRESTS ARE MADE; TO ALLOW THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO POST A "NO TRESPASSING SIGNS PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER" SO THAT ONLY LEGAL OWNERS OR OCCUPANTS MAY ENTER OR REMAIN ON THE PROPERTY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta through its police power seeks to provide for the health and safety of all citizens in the city of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, citizens and the police department have made it clear that the escalation of illicit drug activity on vacant properties in the City of Atlanta is a significant public safety concern ; and

WHEREAS, illegal drug sales on vacant property increases the danger to the to adjacent property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council seeks to prevent illicit traffic on the premises by unauthorized persons who are not the legal owners or occupants of the property and the City seeks to encourage the policing and monitoring of vacant properties of the City of Atlanta to prevent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

To amend the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances to allow the municipal court to order that there shall be No Trespassing on vacant property where multiple drug arrests are made.

**SECTION 2.**

To amend the Code of Ordiances to allow the police department to post a "No Trespassing Signs Pursuant to Court Order" so that only legal owners or occupants may enter or remain on the property.

### **SECTION 3.**

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.